

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: Andrew C. Gilbert, et al.  
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**INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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In a telephone interview of December 15, 2009, SPE Trammel agreed that the positions in the Office Action of January 15, 2009 were not appeal-worthy, and that the Action would be vacated without need for appeal. SPE Trammel indicated that PAIR does not have an easy way to vacate the Action, and thus Applicant should not expect a paper confirmation.

This paper occasions no fee.

Respectfully submitted,  
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